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# SASS IRIS LIST

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H. P. SASS

ELKHORN, NEBRASKA

### AN INVITATION

The National Peony Show will be held in Lincoln, Nebr., on June 12 and 13, 1937. Please attend this show and also visit Midwest Gardens.

### SASS IRISES—1937

The Superiority of Sass Irises has been thoroughly demonstrated by numerous awards to them culminating in the Dykes Medal for 1932 to Mr. H. P. Sass' Rameses.

The points of superiority that distinguish Sass Irises are, first of all, color. Other distinguishing qualities are complete hardiness, vigor of growth, freedom of bloom and texture. Grown under the rigorous conditions of Nebraska's hot sun and drying winds, an iris must be of the firmest texture to withstand them. Many fine Irises which are lacking in substance cannot be grown under Nebraska conditions. A Sass Iris will always stand up under any weather conditions.

The Sass Brothers are the leading breeders of intermediate irises and have developed this early blooming class into a range of color, size and quality of bloom that rivals the tall bearded class. They have also worked extensively and have developed qualities of Dwarf Irises of the highest quality and have now in process of development a series of Fall Blooming Irises.

Iris grow easier and multiply faster than any other perennial. Plant them in a sunny location that has good drainage. The bulb or rhizome should be planted just under the surface, not too deep. The roots should be spread out and the soil packed around them.

The best time to plant iris is in July and August, although they can be transplanted at any time of the year when the ground is not frozen.

## NEW TYPE OF IRISES

These are hybrids between the Oncocyclus hybrids and Dwarf Bearded hybrids. The following are offered:

**BALROUDOUR** (Jacob Sass, 1933)—S. pallid soft bluish violet. F, deep olive buff with olive yellow blotch at end of beard. An exquisit color combination, reversing the usual combination of bronze standards and blue toned falls. Two flowered stems 12 to 18 inches tall. Vigorous grower .....**25c**

**BLUE TOPAZ** (Jacob Sass, 1933)—A striking combination of blue, brown, and green of delicate blending. Pale violet blue self with blackish brown blotch on fall. Two blooms on 12 to 15-inch stems.....**25c**

**GRAY CLOUD** (Jacob Sass, 1933)—This is a subtle blend of blue, gray, red, green and brown. S, Campanula blue. F, dawn gray with brown stripes on haft emerging into a brown-purple blotch at end of beard. Two blooms on foot high stems.....**75c**

**STORMY DAWN** (Jacob Sass, 1933)—S, pallid soft blue violet, darker at base. F, pale nerapaline blue with brown stripes on the haft, forming a blotch at the end of the beard. Two large flowers on 10-inch stems.....**\$1.50**

**VELVO** (Jacob Sass, 1933)—S, pleroma violet darkening toward midrib. F, velvety dark Madder violet overlaid red. Small black blotch at end of the bronzy brown beard. Two flowers on 8-inch stems.....**\$5.00**



## NEW 1937 SASS IRISES

This year's introductions are the following which have been introduced because of their magnificent coloring and other fine qualities which have stood the test of several seasons bloom:

**MIDWEST GEM** (78-33) (H. P. Sass, 1937)—Large, light buff pink, flowers with S. domed and falls flaring. Stems branching from center. 36 inches tall.....**\$20.00**

**SANDALWOOD** (6-34) (H. P. Sass, 1937)—S. Vinaceous Fawn. F. army brown. Good sized flowers of fine shape and substance. 34 inches.....**\$20.00**

**KHORASAN** (28-33) (H. P. Sass, 1937)—A massive blended variegata. S. dull gold. Domed. F. nearly auburn, flushed violet below beard. Flaring to horizontal. Stems branching from center. 36-inch.....**\$20.00**

**OSSAR** (24-34) (H. P. Sass, 1937)—This is a glowing, blackish red self. Not very tall, 32 inches, but low branching. There are many buds and often 3 flowers open on a stem. Flowers are of medium size of good shape and substance .....**\$10.00**

**THE RED DOUGLAS** (33-13) (Jacob Sass, 1937)—S. Raisin Purple. F. Dahlia Purple with brown haft. Prominent orange beard. Large flowers on tall well branched stalks up to 40 inches.....**\$25.00**

**CASQUE D'OR** (35-15) (Jacob Sass, 1937)—S. Old Gold. Greenish midrib. F. Velvety rays maroon. Reverse of fall is Olive Lake. Bronze stripes on haft. Old Gold margin on edge of falls. Large flowers on 34-inch well branched stalks .....**\$20.00**

## OTHER SASS IRISES

- ABELARD** (H. P. Sass, 1934)—Intermediate. S, deep livid brown. F, veronia purple. 26-inch branching stems .....50c
- AKSARBEN** (Jacob Sass, 1923)—S and F fawn and velvety brown on cream ground, yellow beard. 27 inches .....25c
- ALICE HORSEFALL** (H. P. Sass)—A big dark velvety red-purple intermediate and one of the finest of this class. An orange beard gives a fine contrast; 30 inches. Blooms well into tall-bearded class.....50c
- AL-LU-WE** (H. P. Sass, 1932)—One of the new type of tall, large flowered variegatas. Of Nebraska x Rameses parentage with fine yellow standards and red falls on 40-inch branching stems.....75c
- AMBERA** (H. P. Sass, 1931)—A topnotcher light yellow intermediate of great size, vigorous and free blooming. Amber yellow self, 30 inches. (Honorable Mention, 1931) .....50c
- AMENTI** (H. P. Sass, 1936)—S, grayish vinaceous. F, light mauve. Beard pale yellow. 36-inch branching stem .....\$10.00
- AMITOLA** (H. P. Sass, 1936)—S, and stigmas light russet vinaceous. F, Tourmaline pink. Beard bright yellow. 38-inch good branching stem.....\$10.00
- ANITRA** (H. P. Sass, 1936)—Verbena violet self. Celeste color. S, domed. F, flaring. Large flowers on 36-inch branching stem.....\$30.00
- AUTUMN GLEAM** (H. P. Sass, 1934)—Intermediate and fall bloomer. Citron yellow throughout. Medium flowers of fine shape and heavy substance. 24-inch stems .....\$2.50
- AUTUMN HAZE** (H. P. Sass, 1934)—Fall blooming, tall bearded. S, vinaceous purple; F, Manganese violet. Large flowers on 30-inch low branching stems; generally taller in spring.....\$5.00
- AUTUMN QUEEN** (H. P. Sass, 1926)—An everblooming white iris of the intermediate type which has a record of blooming every month from April to November. Flower of good size and quality.....25c
- BALDWIN** (H. P. Sass, 1926)—One of the best of the dark blue purples. A huge Manganese violet self with an electric sheen in the falls on 40-inch well branched stems .....35c
- BLACKMOOR** (Jacob Sass, 1932)—One of the finest dark blue purples. Almost black when newly opened, lightening to blackish violet of uniform coloring. A free bloomer of great size. (Honorable Mention, 1931).....75c
- BLUE HILL** (H. P. Sass, 1931)—The bluest of the clear blue toned irises of a slightly deeper tone than Sensation and larger with perfect branching stems. A great addition to the blue toned iris. (Honorable Mention, 1932) .....35c
- BLUE MONARCH** (Jacob Sass, 1933)—Bluish violet self. Color tone is a clear light blue. Large flower on 45-inch stems, low branching.....\$1.50
- BLUE WAVES** (H. P. Sass)—Rich dark blue, horizontal falls, fine for massing.....25c

**BUTO** (H. P. Sass, 1926)—A rich dark purple bi-color with velvety nearly black falls of great size and a great bloomer. Makes a fine mass. 30 inches.....**25c**

**CAROLINE E. STRINGER** (Jacob Sass, 1930)—In effect a beautiful pink tinted iris, large beautifully ruffled with yellow at the haft and a yellow beard. 36 inches .....**25c**

**CHALLENGER** (Jacob Sass, 1930)—A huge, very dark intermediate of Dominion race quality. S dull dark purple. F dark blackish violet, velvety, with a contrasting white beard tipped orange. Falls flaring. The largest flowered intermediate and a favorite wherever seen. Vigorous and free blooming.....**25c**

**CHESTNUT** (Jacob Sass, 1930)—The brownest of our plicatas. S, ruffled cinnamon drab. F, cream dotted petunia violet with brown stripes on the yellow haft. Handsome and unique.....**25c**

**CHIEF** (Jacob Sass, 1926)—A fine blue purple intermediate, very dark. 22 inches.....**25c**

**CHURCHMOUSE** (H. P. Sass, 1929)—A new color break greatly admired—brown iris, self Hays brown of Ridgeway. Medium sized flower on 36-inch stems.....**25c**

**CLARA NOYES** (H. P. Sass, 1931)—A gorgeous blend of orange yellow, and red of Talisman rose coloring. (Honorable Mention, 1931; Award of Merit, 1932)...**\$1.00**

**CLARIBEL** (Jacob Sass, 1936)—A large flowered plicata on the order of Los Angeles. Hardy, 40-inch branching stem. ....**\$10.00**

**COSETTE** (H. P. Sass, 1936)—Early flowering white intermediate. 36-inch branching stem.....**\$3.00**

**CRYSTAL BEAUTY** (J. Sass, 1935)—A large flowered self of pure white coloring on 40-inch well branched stalk .....**\$6.00**

**CYRUS** (H. P. Sass, 1931)—Medium sized flowers of fine form and substance on 34-inch stems. Empire yellow with a much deeper splash at the end of beard, giving a glowing effect. Intermediate. (H. M. 1933).....**25c**

**DORE** (32-50) (J. Sass, 1935)—S, baryta yellow darkening to Empire yellow at claw. F, white with light yellow sheen. Haft heavily veined Empire yellow. Deep yellow beard. A yellow stripe extends along the edge of the falls. Large flower on 37-inch well branched stalks .....**\$7.50**

**DOUGLAS** (Jacob Sass, 1932)—S light lavender violet. F litho purple shading to light lavender violet at the edge with brown shaded hafts. Flaring falls, pale yellow beard. The big blooms are held on 40 to 44-inch branching stems .....**\$2.00**

**DOXA** (H. P. Sass, 1928)—A most popular and well rated intermediate of great size and novel coloring. S light Chalcedony yellow. F olive buff with tint at center. Heavy substance. 20 inches. (Honorable Mention, 1932) .....**25c**

**EUPHONY** (H. P. Sass, 1929)—S Conical, ruffled. Mustard yellow tipped with Chaemois. F the same overlaid vinaceous. Medium to large flowers on 36-inch stems, the distant effect being a rich, deep yellow. Exceptionally vigorous and free blooming.....**25c**

**GENTIUS** (H. P. Sass, 1934)—Intermediate. S, bluish violet. F, royal purple. 24-inch branching stems.....**25c**

**GOLDEN BOW** (H. P. Sass)—Large flowered chrome yellow intermediate. Rather long flowers on tall stems .....\$1.50

**GOLDEN HARVEST** (Jacob Sass, 1930)—Our first yellow fall blooming intermediate. S olive yellow, bluish at the haft. F yellow citron, haft sulphur yellow, stripped white, and with a brown and bluish sheen. Distinct orange beard. Always a surprising and cheerful note in the fall .....\$1.00

**GOLDEN HELMET** (Jacob Sass, 1933)—S Ochraceous tawny at the edge, yellow ochre at the midrib and buckthorn brown at the claw. F Morocco red overlaid ox-blood red, bronze haft striped Morocca red, prominent orange beard. Height 35 inches. Stem low branching. A striking brilliant variegatta that shines in any iris planting .....\$10.00

**GOLDEN LIGHT** (H. P. Sass, 1933)—S, apricot yellow, toning to yellow ochre on edges. F, yellow ochre, lightly striped Buckthorn brown. Beard light cadium. Branching stem 40 inches tall.....\$3.00

**GOLDEN WEST** (Jacob Sass, 1934)—A fine yellow intermediate. S Empire yellow. F wax yellow. Orange beard. 30 inches.....25c

**IMPERIAL BLUSH** (H. P. Sass, 1933)—A beautiful large bluish pink with 40-inch branching stems.....\$1.50

**IRMA POLLOCK** (H. P. Sass, 1931)—S Magenta. F velvety carmine, with a lighter margin. A flower of medium size and telling garden effect. 36 inches.....25c

**JOYCETTE** (Jacob Sass, -932)—S, raisin purple. F, blackish purple. A very large flower measuring 6 to 6½ inches. 42-inch low branching stems. The effect with the sun shining through it is a rich, blazing red. Form excellent and substance heavy with usually three or four blooms open at once. Long blooming period. H. M. 1932 .....\$5.00

**JUMBO** (Jacob Sass, 1927)—An enormous dark velvety bicolor with blue violet standards and dark red violet falls that deserves better acquaintance. S, Vanderpoel's violet. F, mulberry purple. Vivid yellow beard. 36 inches.....25c

**KING JUBA** (H. P. Sass, 1931)—A clear colored large flowered variegata, the brilliant contrast between the yellow standards and wide solid deep velvety red falls, making this a striking and much admired iris. Very large flowers on 36 to 40-inch stems. (Honorable Mention, 1932) .....85c

**KING KARL** (Jacob Sass, 1925)—Beautifully ruffled light pinkish cinnamon standards. F cream sanded in an all-over pattern of liseran purple with a yellow beard. The bloom takes on beautiful rosy tones as it ages. 27 inches. (Award of Merit, Wisley Trials, 1931).....25c

**KING TUT** (H. P. Sass, 1925)—Notable for its beautiful brilliant brown and red tones that fairly blaze in bright sun. F Hessian brown. S and stigmas Cacao brown. Half and beard golden yellow, the general effect in the garden of brilliant red.....50c

**LONA** (Jacob Sass, 1923)—Another fine plicata type of unique coloring and pattern. S pale purplish vinaceous, white at center, ruffled. F cream dotted and striped Eupatorium purple with a yellow glow at the haft and center. 27 inches.....25c



**MAID OF ASTALOT** (Jacob Sass, 1936)—Large flowered blue and white plicata. S and F, white with blue markings in throat. 45-inch branching stem.....\$10.00

**MIDGARD** (H. P. Sass, 1926)—The best known and most popular pink and yellow blend, always in demand. An iris of exquisite coloring and has firm, heavy substance. Both standards and falls yellow with a flush of clear pink. A strong grower and free bloomer. 39 inches .....25c

**MIDWEST PRIDE** (H. P. Sass, 1931)—The finest iris of Archevique coloring. Three foot branching stems with large flowers. S Hortense violet; F hyacinth violet, deepening at the center of the falls. A very fine dark iris of heavy and lasting substance.....35c

**NEBRASKA** (H. P. Sass, 1929)—The latest yellow iris to bloom and one of the richest yellows. S, ruffled apricot yellow. F, same color with brown veinings. Dark yellow beard. A large flower.....50c

**NEOLA** (Jacob Sass, 1932)—A new departure in color in the dwarf bearded irises, a beautiful brown toned blend, unlike any other dwarf. S livid violet; F deep livid brown shaded sorghum brown. Pale yellow beard. Medium to large flowers on 10-inch stems.....25c

**NO-WE-TA** (H. P. Sass, 1932)—A pinker Midgard type of entirely different form and an iris of exquisite coloring. S Conic arched and frilled. It is a beautiful true pink self in effect with yellow flushes at the center and edges of the falls and standards. 32 inches.....75c

**OKOBOJI** (Jacob Sass, 1932)—A rich, very dark velvety red purple of medium size and strikingly rich appearance. 30 inches.....25c

**OMAHA** (H. P. Sass, 1929)—Approaching a clear red in tone of beautiful clarity. S dark vinaceous; F vinaceous purple. Blooms large. Height 30 inches. Makes a fine red mass in the garden as it is a very vigorous grower and free bloomer.....25c

**ORIANA** (H. P. Sass, 1933)—A pure white of fine form and substance, of good size, with a finely balanced stem 32 inches tall. This is much superior to the older whites .....\$3.00

**OWAISSA** (Jacob Sass, 1934)—Dwarf bearded. Medium blue self pumila hybrid. Small flowers on 4 to 8-inch stems .....25c

**OZONE** (Jacob Sass, 1935)—A beautiful mauve toned blend. Bluish violet self with pinkish sheen. Brown haft. White beard tipped orange. Large flowers on 36-inch branching stem.....\$10.00

**PAPIO** (H. P. Sass, 1936)—S, pansy purple. F, violet carmine. Early flowering intermediate. 28-inch branching stem .....\$3.00

**PINK OPAL (28-12)** (Jacob Sass, 1934)—Sister seedling to pink satin. Large flowers on 40 to 46-inch stems. Color lilac self.....75c

**PIXY** (H. P. Sass)—A dwarf plicata blend of Jubilee coloring, flowering with the tall bearded irises. Branching stems 8 to 10 inches high. This little beauty has excited much admiration.....25c

**QUIVERA** (Jacob Sass, 1932)—A mingling of buff, pink, yellow, orange and brown, difficult to describe, but of unique beauty. S buff pink; F orange vinaceous



striped pink vinaceous, yellow glow at the center with brown striped hafts and bright yellow beard. Blooms of medium size. 30 inches. (Honorable Mention, 1932) .....25c

**RAGUSA** (H. P. Sass, 1929)—The finest rich dark red purple blend among the intermediates. rivaling the red purple Dominion seedlings in richness and texture. S pansy purple; F blackish red purple. Five to seven flowers. 22 inches.....25c

**RAMESES** (H. P. Sass, 1929)—A vigorous, healthy grower in all parts of the country and a fast increaser and free bloomer. In color, pink and rose toned blend. S light russet vinaceous with yellow glow at the center; F flaring to drooping, Tourmaline pink. Heavy apricot beard with a 36-inch well branched graceful stem. (Honorable Mention, 1931; Dykes Medal, 1932).....50c

**RED ORCHID** (Jacob Sass, 1934)—Our reddest intermediate. S violet carmine; F velvety violet carmine. Dark yellow beard. 28 inches.....50c

**RED WING** (H. P. Sass)—S, light brownish vinaceous; F, Dahlia carmine. Large blooms. 36 inches.....35c

**ROSE MIST** (H. P. Sass)—Dwarf bearded. Blended pumila hybrid .....25c

**ROSE OF CUBA** (Jacob Sass, 1932)—A fine rose toned iris of medium height and fine sized blooms. S Amparo purple; F petunia violet with brown haft; yellow beard. Thirty-two inch branching stems.....25c

**SANGREAL** (J. Sass, 1935)—A very fine yellow intermediate Fall Bloomer. S. Barnum yellow. F. Citron yellow. Lemon chrome markings on haft. Orange beard. 28-inch stalk .....\$3.00

**SIEGFRIED** (H. P. Sass, 1936)—A large ruffled flower of good substance. S, Naples yellow with a sheen of dotted purple. F, pale yellow and striped brown on the haft with purple dots along the side of the distinct yellow beard. Flaring falls. Large flowers on 44-inch branching stem .....\$30.00

**SIR LAUNCELOT** (J. Sass, 1935)—S, haze. F, claret brown. Golden haft; orange beard. A rich golden brown iris. 30-32 inches tall.....\$10.00

**SNOWKING** (H. P. Sass)—A new large white, the flowers well balanced on tall branching stems. Much admired at the Lincoln National Iris Show.....\$15.00

**SOUND MONEY** (J. Sass, 1934)—A fine yellow Pumila hybrid that also blooms in the fall. 10-12-inch stems...50c

**SOUTHLAND** (H. P. Sass, 1934)—Intermediate and fall bloomer. Color lemon chrome. Flowers large and of heavy substance. S domed; F flaring. Stems 24 inches, low branching.....\$2.50

**SPOKAN** (Jacob Sass, 1933)—S sayal brown overlaid reddish brown; F oxblood red, overlaid blackish brown. Haft yellow with brown stripes. Prominent orange beard. The most brilliant of the red-brown blends. The blooms are carried on 36-inch well branched stems .....\$10.00

**SUSA** (H. P. Sass, 1934)—Intermediate. Velvety red purple self. 24-inch stems.....25c

**TA-WA** (H. P. Sass)—An intermediate with large, pale yellow flowers of good substance. Stems 24 inches .....\$1.50

**THE BLACK DOUGLAS** (J. Sass, 1934)—S, dark violet. F, blackish violet. Blue beard tipped yellow. A fine dark colored iris. Branching stem 36 inches tall.....\$5.00

**THURATUS** (H. P. Sass)—One of the darkest of all irises and makes a striking garden group. A rather long flower with drooping falls, a blackish purple self, showing rich crimson tones when the sun shines through it. 38 to 40 inches. A real beauty.....35c

**ULTRA** (H. P. Sass)—The general color effect is blue. S Ultramarine violet. A very reliable intermediate fall bloomer .....25c

**WACONDA** (H. P. Sass, 1931)—A much admired, big red purple self of deep tone with exceptional carrying quality for so dark an iris. It makes a most effective garden group of deep red effect. A sister seedling of Rameses. (Honorable Mention, 1931).....35c

**WAMBLISKA** (Jacob Sass, 1931)—Snowy glittering white standards with a blue tint at the heart of the flower. Clear snow white falls with pale yellow beard and a few yellow veins at the haft. 30 to 45 inches. (Honorable Mention, 1931).....50c

**WAR EAGLE** (Jacob Sass, 1933)—S vinaceous purple. F, blackish red purple fading to pansy purple. Haft and claw cream with brown stripes on the haft. Bloom measures 7 inches in height. Stems 36 to 40 inches tall, well branched. In effect a rich, glowing deep red toned iris of great size that is, in our opinion, one of the finest red toned irises yet introduced but of distinct effect from other reds.....\$10.00

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We have a good stock of the following irises and will price them at 2 for 25c:

**AUTUMN KING**—Beau Ideal, Eventide, Jubilee, Laddie Boy, Matilda, Midwest, Mrs. Albert Sherman Hoyt, Nehawka, Nymph, Old Gold, Prairie Gold, Purple Haze, Sungod and Trostringer.

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We grow quite a number of seedling Siberians and also Spurias. We have the following to offer:

**BLUE CHARM** (H. P. Sass), Siberian. Large light blue flower. 30 inches.....25c

**MISS DULUTH** (Jacob Sass), Siberian. Velvety blackish violet. 30 inches.....25c

**SUNNY DAY** (H. P. Sass), Spuria. Tall gleaming yellow self .....\$1.00

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Owing to the expense of packing and shipping we cannot accept orders for less than One Dollar.

All orders are accepted subject to the condition and availability of stock at shipping time or being sold out. Early orders will be appreciated.

WE HAVE LILACS, PEONIES, HEMEROCALLIS,  
AND WATER LILIES IN VARIETY.